



A team of Corpsman rush a surgical patient through FH5 to an awaiting ambulance for an emergency transport.



Within a week following the events of April 15-16, FH5 was visited by US Senator Mike DeWine (left photo) and Major General Raymond Henault, Canadian Defense Forces (right photo). Both National Representatives made separate visits to personally recognize and commend the efforts of FH5, in saving the life of the vacationing Canadian service member.

to temporarily stop the bleeding. The fresh blood transfusions maintained the blood clotting mechanism until after his arrival at Jackson Memorial Hospital, Miami, FL. where significant amounts of blood with coagulation factors are available.

The combined efforts of each FH5 member on board that night had contributed in stabilizing Pesant and ultimately preparing him for an emergency medical evacuation flight to Miami, an accomplishment that had seemed almost impossible hours earlier.

“These guys (FH5) really knew what they were doing and took all kinds of initiatives at the outset,” said Luc’s brother Guy Pesant, quoted from an article in the Edmonton Sun, a Canadian newspaper. “They patched him up in such a way that he was able to survive the flight to Miami.”

According to the Edmonton Sun, Pesant an Avionics Technician with Edmonton’s 408 Tactical Helicopter Squadron, had gone to Haiti on official leave on March 23rd to get a temporary visa for his wife Myrllene, whom he met while stationed in Haiti in 1995. According to Myrllene, the couple were at her home sharing a late-

evening together to discuss plans for their future, when 5 bandits broke into her home in an attempted armed robbery gone awry, as three of the bandits opened fire killing Myrllene’s 103-year-old grandmother and leaving Pesant in critical condition.

“It is easy in an environment such as Haiti to accept dreadful situations, almost to the point of tolerating death,” said Marine Col. Jon Stull, Commanding Officer, Camp Kinzer. “But, it is inspiring to be a member of a command that stands for life, caring and progress.”

According to United Press International, Haitian police in Port-au-Prince have arrested a suspect in the shooting and are moving in on the other accomplices.

At last report Pesant remains in critical condition at Jackson Memorial Hospital and CAPT Wilcox has made a weekly effort to provide us with updates on Pesant’s condition as it becomes available to him.

**Our thoughts and prayers go out to
Luc Pesant and his family.**